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**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please replace the first paragraph on page 10 with the following new paragraph:

In accordance with one design of the invention, the layer acting as a membrane has a pore size in the nano and/or micro range, in particular with a size of 1-200 nm, or 5-200 nm. Such pore sizes can be produced with modern technology, and have delivered excellent results.